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For: **VEHICLE AIR BAG MINIMUM DISTANCE ENFORCEMENT  
APPARATUS, METHOD AND SYSTEM (as amended)**

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This application is a continuation of and claims priority to and the benefit of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/897,536, which is a continuation of and claims priority to and the benefit of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/220,832 filed December 24, 1998, which issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,293,584 and on September 25, 2001 and which claims priority to and the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/101,487, filed September 23, 1998; U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/105,245, filed October 22, 1998; and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/105,595, filed October 26, 1998.
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